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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8268

INFO AMEMBASSY KABUL

AMCONSUL KARACHI

AMCONSUL LAHORE

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: PINT PAK

SUBJ: CONSTITUTION

REFERENCE ISLAMABAD 1908

1. GENERAL DEBATE ON DRAFT CONSTITUTION IN
CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY ENDED MARCH 8 WITH THREE- HOUR
SPEECH BY LAW MINISTER PIRZADA DEVOTED LARGELY TO

EXCORIATING OPPOSITION (INCLUDING CHARGE THAT
OPPOSITION LEADER S AUKAT HYAT HAD ONCE BEEN DIS-
MISSED FROM PROVINCIAL CABINET POST FOR " MISBEHAVIOR
WITH AN INSICTRESS OF SCHOOLS"). ASSEMBLY MEMBERS
VOTED UNANIMOUSLY (WITH JAMIATUL- ULEMA- I- ISLAMAM
MEMBERS ABSTAINING) TO BEGIN CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT
ON CLAUSE- BY- CLAUSE BASIS. ACCORDING TO PRESS
REPORTS ALMOST 400 AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN TABLED BY
OPPOSITION. DEPUTY LEADER OF ASSEMBLY, HEALTH MINISTER
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RASHID, ANNOUNCED THAT GOP WOULD ITSELF MAKE TWO CHANGES IN DRAFT; ONE TO " IMPROVE" ON PROVISIONS RELATING TO EXPROPRIATION OF PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT COMPENSATION AND ANOTHER TO DELETE REQUIREMENT OF TWO- THIRDS VOTE FOR PASSAGE OF NO- CONFIDENCE MOTION. HE DID NOT ELABORATE.

2. COMMENT: ASSEMBLY VOTE DID NOT INDICATE ANY SOFTENING OF OPPOSITION POSITION TOWARD CONSTITUTION BUT MERELY OPPOSITION WILLINGNESS TO GET ON WITH CLAUSE- BY- CLAUSE READING. LATTER PRESUMABLY WILL OCCUPY ASSEMBLY' S TIME UNTIL EVE OF BHUTTO' S APRIL 21 DEADLINE FOR FINAL ACTION ON CONSTITUTION.
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